

## **TITLE 326 AIR POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD**

### **LSA Document #06-284**

#### **SUMMARY/RESPONSE TO COMMENTS RECEIVED AT THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING**

On September 5, 2007, the air pollution control board (board) conducted the first public hearing/board meeting concerning the development of amendments to 326 IAC 13-1.1, the motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program in Lake County and Porter County. Comments were made by the following parties:

Charlotte Read (CR)

Following is a summary of the comments received and IDEM's responses thereto.

*Comment:* This is one of three or four measures related to the vehicle inspection and maintenance program in Lake and Porter counties that was recommended by the Air Quality Advisory Committee of Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC) as part of the 15% reasonable further progress plan. This rule will help with the cars that have on-board diagnostics and that are still under warranty by providing an opportunity to complete needed repairs before the warranty expires. This rule will also help identify leaks in older cars which will not only help improve air quality, but water quality as well. I hope that in the future, the board will consider the other measures that were recommended to improve air quality in Indiana, all related to the inspection and maintenance program. I urge you to adopt this rule. (CR)

*Response:* IDEM agrees that these measures will assist with air quality improvements. IDEM appreciates the contributions of the NIRPC Air Quality Advisory Committee on air quality issues in northwest Indiana.